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stolen to rob, provided that they found the existence of such an intent. The robbery in this case would be a subsequent and distinct offence. In this case, however, the jury might find him guilty not only of an assault with intent, but of the attempt to commit a robbery, and of the offence of carrying a dangerous weapon, as he was armed with a knife, and was very far from being concerned, the attempt was unsuccessful.

Mr. Gregor, having been re-called at the request of the jury, stated positively that the man who struck him had black or dark trousers.

On the previous two hours' consideration, found the prisoner guilty of an assault with intent to rob, and he was sentenced to be imprisoned and kept to hard labour in Darlinghurst goal for twelve calendar months.

POSTPONEMENT OF TRIALS.

John Pitt and John Wood pleaded not guilty to three indictments for cattle-stealing; but, owing to the absence of material witnesses for the Crown, their trial upon the first charge, the robbery of the Crown's carriage, was postponed until next day.

Prisoners asked to be allowed bail, but were directed to make a separate application for that purpose.

Before the Chief Justice.

STRAILING.

James Byrne pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging him with straiting at Sydney, on the 16th July last, stolen four chairs and a perambulator the property of Mr. Stuart A. Donaldson. The charge involved two counts; the first was for carrying, the second referred to the larceny of the perambulator.

The prisoner was undefended; Mr. Holroyd conducted the case for the crown.

Stephen Plummer, a lad in Mr. Donaldson's employ, gave evidence that on or about the day named in the indictment, four chairs and a perambulator were misstolen out of Mr. Donaldson's garden summer-house; in a few days after the witness called on the premises of Mr. Rosier, a furniture dealer, Park-street; the articles named are the property of Mr. Donaldson; (identifies them.)

Walter Rosier, furniture dealer, deposed that in the month of July, on a certain day, prisoner came to his place and offered him some chairs for sale, stating that he was breaking up house, previous to going to the diggings, and that he had other articles to sell; prisoner asked five shillings a piece for the chairs, but witness refused to buy them, as he wanted a better piece, and witness paid him twelve shillings for them; in a few days after his first call prisoner again called and offered a perambulator for sale, which witness wife purchased from him for £10; witness asked the articles were stolen, or on witness' premises, and claimed as the property that had been stolen from Mr. Donaldson. Witness gave a description to the police of the party from whom he had purchased the perambulator, and in a few days afterwards prisoner was arrested, and witness identified him as the seller of the stolen property.

Prisoner cross-examined the witness, asking insipid rambling questions, but without benefitting his case.

Bridget Rosier, wife of the previous witness, identified the prisoner as the person from whom she had purchased the perambulator produced in Court, since identified as the property of Mr. Donaldson.

Inspector Hyland gave evidence as to the arrest of the prisoner on a charge of stealing—a distinct offence from that stated in the indictment, and that the character given by Mr. Rosier of the person who had disposed of the article produced in Court, that witness was sent for, and he at once identified the prisoner.

Prisoner cross-examined the witness, without eliciting anything favourable to his case, which here closed.

No witnesses were called for the defence, though prisoner, on the face of the evidence, deliberately assumed the defence, and the character given by Mr. Rosier in his address to the prisoner, said that not one in Court believed.

The jury, without leaving the box, returned a verdict of guilty.

The two antecedents having been reported to the Court, it appeared that on the 6th October last he received a sentence of six months' imprisonment for theft.

His Honor then sentenced the prisoner to be kept to hard labour on the roads or other public works of the colony for a period of three years, for the offence stated in the first count, and three years' like punishment for the offence stated in the second count;—the latter sentence to come into effect at the expiration of the first year of the first sentence; making the sentence in fact consist of four years' hard labour on the roads. The prisoner was committed to the Darlinghurst goal.

THE BANK ROBBERY.—The trial of this case was postponed on the applications of Mr. Blake, supported by Mr. Dalley (counsel for the accused, William Kemp), till Wednesday morning next at 9 o'clock, at which early hour the case will come to the purpose of taking this special case. The witnesses are required to be in attendance punctually at that hour. No jurors connected with the Commercial Bank will be sworn.

The Court adjourned till ten o'clock this morning.

THE CALENDAR.—There have been as yet only nine cases set down for trial these days, and of these cases there are three of indictments given by the Crown, one of assault with intent to commit an offence of this kind, one of common assault, one of wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm, one of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, one of receiving stolen property, one of uttering a forged cheque, one of indecent assault upon a girl under twelve years of age, and three of cattle-stealing.

SUPREME COURT.—BUSINESS FOR THIS DAY.—Before the Primary Judge, in Equity. Motions and petitions. Equity causes for hearing:—Marshall v. Vourin, Brown v. Huckle, Newton v. Hammond (re-hearing), and *Ex parte* Williams (re-hearing), Scott v. Hughes (re-hearing by order), Sheffield v. Brown (on further directions).

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

THURSDAY.

BEFORE the Chairman.

The Crown Prosecutor conducted the following cases:—

William Morris was indicted for stealing £110s. from the person of William M. Dalry. The jury acquitted, the prisoner was discharged.

William Clements was indicted for obtaining £2 by false pretences from James Salt. The jury acquitted the prisoner and he was discharged.

John Thomas, a married man, of the parish was indicted for stealing £110s. from the person of Mary Lee; the offence took place in the George-street market, and the money was given up to Mrs. Lee by the prisoner Wade. The jury found Wade guilty, but acquitted Elizabeth Peck, who had been charged with the offence of taking this special case. The witnesses are required to be in attendance punctually at that hour. No jurors connected with the Commercial Bank will be sworn.

William Hinton pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing from the person of the prisoner John Thomas, the prisoner, who had been previously convicted, was sentenced to two years' hard labour in Parramatta goal.

FRIDAY.

Justice Torpy appeared by her attorney, Mr. Moffatt, for the answer of the appeal of Joseph Wakely, against the order of the Sydney Bench for the payment of 15s. weekly for the period of two years, by the said Joseph Wakely to the said Bridget Torpy for the support of her child, Thomas, the child of the said Joseph Wakely of being the father. Meers, Roberts and Cory appeared for the appellant. The hearing of this case occupied the Court the whole of Friday and Saturday, and until half-past four o'clock on Sunday morning, when the Court, after having heard the whole of the evidence adduced on both sides, ordered Joseph Wakely to pay 10s. weekly, commencing on Monday, the 10th instant, into the hands of inspector Wakely, for the support of the illegitimate child of Bridget Torpy for the term of two years.

There were two other cases of a similar nature, which were ordered by the Court to stand over until the next sessions.

This closed the business of the sessions.

PUBLICANS' LICENSES.—The next quarterly meeting of Justices for transfer of business under the Licensing Act will be held on Tuesday, the 10th proximo. Applications for new licenses must be lodged on or before the 10th (next Monday), and for transfers on or before Monday, the 25th August.

At the public sale of the property of the numerous attendance at Meers, Burt and Co.'s Bazaar yesterday, to witness the sale of Mr. George Taylor Rowe's racehorses, and the other blood stock advertised. The sale was very gelling. Planet, a 3-year-old Waverley (sire of Venus) was sold for the sum of thirty guineas, the first offered, and after considerable competition went to Mr. Chippendale, of Goulburn, for 165 guineas. "Bathurst," a brown gelding, bred by Mr. William Laidlaw, and formerly the property of Mr. De Closset, of Tadmort (also a winner), went to Mr. Herbert for 115 guineas. The bay stallion "Elastic" (by Ether), bred by Mr. J. S. Rodd, was bought in; as was also the brown stallion "Huntsman," bred by Mr. Frederick Bundock.

of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates. In the estate of Richard Webb, junior, an adjourned certificate meeting. Mr. Wright, having closed his case, moved that insolvent be committed to take his trial for fraud for the estate of Webb, but, for instead, moved for an adjournment in order to instruct counsel for the defence. Adjournment granted, until hursday next.

STARRHEADS.

Francis Grant, George Denon, saddery, boot and shoe maker. Liabilities, £106 15s. Assets—value of personal property £1; outstanding debts, £79 1s. 6d. Total, £85 1s. 6d. Deficit, £23 13s. 6d. Mr. Wilson, official assignee.

IN RE P. DEW.

On the petition of William Crossdill, of Newcastle, gentleman, a rule nisi (returnable on Saturday the 22nd August) was granted, requiring Philip Dew, of Newcastle, to show cause why he should not be sequestrated for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Perry, official assignee.

IN RE G. ROBEAR.

A rule nisi was granted, returnable on Saturday, the 18th August, on the petition of Abraham Hearn, of the Barramatta Road, freholder, requiring George Blaxand Rogers, of Paramatta-street, conveyancer, to show cause why he should not be sequestrated for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Morris, official assignee.

MEETINGS OF CREDITORS.

Monday, 4.—David L. Levy, adjourned single, 10. F. Roberts and Thomas Gillespie, found guilty of having plying places, 10. John Morris, Henry Moon, John Edwards, Francis Edward Bishworth, Matthewman Twyman, Martin Morrison, Thomas Alford, certificates.

Tuesday, 5.—Beit and Sons, second, 10. George A. Thrum, second, half-past 10. Taylor and Chapman, third, 11. John Gow, second, half-past 1. Hesse and Snow, second, half-past 1. Duncan McLennan, third, half-past 2.

CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

MONDAY.

Before Mr. Forbes, Captain Scott, Captain McLean, Mr. Nott, and Mrs. Edworthy.

Frederick Smith, a prisoner, arrested of having been found intoxicated in the streets: a few were sentenced pay 20s. each on pain of being imprisoned forty-eight hours, and the rest to pay 10s. each or to be imprisoned seven days.

Thomas Mc-Grath, found guilty of having while drunk broken a gas lamp, was ordered to pay 20s., or to be imprisoned seven days.

Margaret Hill and Maria Bishop were charged with their husband, Sergeant Bishop, on Saturday afternoon he saw the prisoners in York-street, Hill was carrying a bundle, which he heard Bishop offer to carry for a while; seeing that it was no considerable weight, and, knowing the women were carrying stolen goods, he went up and demanded to see it; he found it to consist of a new vest and a pair of new trousers; Hill said Bishop gave it to her, and Bishop said that the garments belonged to him, and he took them into custody on suspicion of having stolen them; he said the prisoners were not charged, but not for the trousers. John Keane, in the employ of David Clarkson, tailor, deposed that the vest as the property of Clarkson, and was stolen from out of his shop; he said he saw the prisoners for sale, some time after two, on Saturday afternoon. Bishop was ordered to be tried in the summary jurisdiction of the bench. They were found guilty and sentenced to be imprisoned—Hill three months, and Bishop one month.

George C. Marshall was on Saturday brought before the Court by acting inspector Quirk, charged with horse stealing, when the case was partly heard, and on Friday last, the Inspector Quirk deposed that he offered to sell him a horse (now in the police court dock), which he said was his own; witness agreed to purchase for £11, but said he would leave the money to him, and that he had stolen property, and he said he satisfied himself that Marshall was entitled to sell it or was a person of whom he might safely purchase; prisoner offered no objection, and referred to Mr. Hunt, Barrister-at-Law, and Mr. Campbell, of the Montefiore and Graham, and Co.; they had started to come into Sydney, when prisoner said he might as well have the saddle and bridle as well, which he purchased for £3 10s., which money he was handing over to the Montefiore and Graham, and Co.; he said he had no objection to abide (as well as the price of the horse) the result of his inquiry, but prisoner snatched the saddle and bridle, and put it into his own pocket. He (the witness) said that the prisoners had stolen the accoutrements had been stolen and took prisoner into custody. On arriving at the lock-up he found there a servant for prisoner's apprehension, charging him with having stolen the saddle and bridle, and the saddle and spurs, the property of Alfred Gibson, prisoner said, in reply to the charge, that he and prisoner only be prosecuted for a breach of trust. Alfred Gibson, auctioneer and agent, deposed that the horse, saddle, and bridle were sold by him, on Wednesday last in Wednesday the prisoner came to him, at Burr and Hassall's sale yard, and said that he could find a purchaser for a horse (now in the police yard) which he was to have, and named Mr. Campbell, of the Montefiore and Graham, and Co.; he said that he knew a gentleman of that name in the employ of Messrs. Montefiore and Co., he saddled the horse, and equipped the prisoner with whip and spurs, to take the horse to Mr. Campbell, and he said that he did not know the horse was returned and said that he could not see Mr. Campbell, but that he must go next morning; on Friday morning he delivered the horse, saddle, &c., as before, and he said he again used to be called in half-an-hour, he said he and the horse and the accoutrements at £25. William Hunter deposed that on Friday the prisoner offered to sell him the horse now in the yard for £10; he said, he was to have the saddle and bridle, and the saddle and spurs, which he said he had sold to Mr. Benjamin Campbell, shipping clerk in the office of Messrs. Montefiore and Graham, and Co., deposed that on Friday last prisoner came to him with a horse he said he thought would be sold for £10 (witness), but which witness did not know, and he said he was to have the horse, and he was looking out at the auction yards and he heard him on one of those days say that he was not authorized or requested his assistance in the matter; witness could not remember whether or not prisoner said anything about the ownership of the horse he offered for sale. The Bench said that it would be better to have the horse, and the prisoner took the horse, and committed him for trial at the Central Criminal Court.

James Kelly, charged by Eliza, his wife, with having committed to take her life, was required to give evidence to keep the peace, and was committed to be imprisoned until the Quarter Sessions.

WATER POLICE COURT.

Before the Water Police Magistrate, and Captain Telford.

John Paul, convicted of being drunk and incapable in George-street, was dismissed with an admonition. James Swoy was similarly dealt with. Margaret Oxford, having been found drunk and disorderly in George-street, was fined 10s.; in default twenty-four hours imprisonment. Thomas Hood, found drunk and disorderly, received the same penalty. Thomas Hood, found drunk and disorderly in George-street, was fined 10s.

William Haggarty, charged with wilful disobedience of lawful commands on board the steamer Williams, as remanded till Monday.

Alexander Key, of the Tartar, for disorderly conduct on board, was fined 20s.; in default twenty-four hours imprisonment.

John Hughes, found drunk and disorderly in George-street, was fined 10s.; in default twenty-four hours imprisonment.

William Howard and James Fowler, for disorderly conduct on board the Tartar, were fined 40s., or to be imprisoned forty-eight hours.

Thomas Ramsay, seaman, belonging to the American ship Manitou, was convicted of having embezzled on board the ship, namely, thirteen bottles of gin, and committed for trial the Quarter Sessions.

MONDAY.

Before the Water Police Magistrate.

William Haggarty, remanded from Saturday, on a charge of disobedience of lawful commands, he being charged with having committed to take her life, was committed to be imprisoned until the Quarter Sessions.

Julia Lee and Thomas Pyle, for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, were respectively fined 10s.; or, in default, to be imprisoned twenty-four hours.

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